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NEWS RELEASE

PHILADELPHIA - United States Attorney Laurie Magid today announced the return of an indictment¹ against Alexander Khodak, a Philadelphia pharmacy owner, charging him with conspiracy to distribute controlled substances and distribution of controlled substances. The charges stem from Khodak's having filled fraudulent prescriptions for thousands of dosage units of the frequently abused drugs Endocet, Lorcet, and Xanax, and the frequently abused syrups Tussionex and Phenergan with Codeine, from about August 2004 through in or about February 2006. The indictment alleges that Khodak filled the prescriptions for drug dealers and drug abusers in exchange for cash, in both their own names and in the names of others and in fictitious names.

INFORMATION REGARDING THE DEFENDANT

NAME	ADDRESS	AGE
Alexander Khodak	Richboro, PA	44 years old

If convicted, defendant Khodak faces a maximum possible sentence of 60 years imprisonment, a lifetime of supervised release, including a mandatory minimum sentence of three years of supervised release, a \$3 million fine, and a \$300 special assessment.

The case was investigated by the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the Drug Enforcement Administration, and is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorneys Alexander T.H. Nguyen and Andrea G. Foulkes.

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